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REPORT

HOLDERNESS, N. H.

1896.

NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATE LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

Town of Holderness

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1896.

1896.

PRINTED IN THE OFFICE OF THE PLYMOUTH RECORD,
PLYMOUTH, N. H.

INVENTORY

Of the Town of Holderness, April 1, 1895.

168 Polls,	\$16,800 00
Resident real estate,	138,944 00
Non resident real estate,	53,786 00
194 horses,	10,056 00
1 mule,	20 00
72 oxen,	3,104 00
319 cows,	7,612 00
8 neat stock,	166 00
438 sheep,	1,064 00
3 hogs,	30 00
19 carriages,	1,380 00
Money at interest,	2,300 00
Stock in trade,	3,978 00
Mills and machinery,	750 00
	<hr/> \$239,990 00

TAXES ASSESSED FOR ALL PURPOSES, 1895.

State tax,	\$515 00
County tax,	554 40
School money required by law,	452 00
“ “ raised by vote,	150 00
Free library,	15 00
Town expenses,	500 00
Highway tax,	1,799 93
To repair Elm school house,	90 00
Part of 5 per cent overlay,	219 49
	<hr/> \$4,295 82

REPORT.

Selectmen in Account with Town of Holderness.

Jan. 1,	Received of State Treasurer R. R. tax,	\$ 4 44
"	" " Savings bank tax,	303 54
"	" " literary fund,	95 76
"	Caleb Ames, old road machine chain,	1 00
"	Enoch Cousins, old road mach'e tire,	1 50
"	State Treasurer, hawk bounty,	1 00
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		\$407 24

Jan.	Paid town treasurer R. R. tax,	\$ 4 44
"	" " Savings bank tax,	303 54
"	" " literary fund,	95 76
"	" " amount rec'd for old machine chain,	1 00
"	" " amount rec'd for old machine tire,	1 50
"	" " town treasurer bounty,	1 00
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		\$407 24

TOWN EXPENSES.

1895.

Mar. 15,	Paid Laconia lumber works, blinds,	\$ 30 60
Apr. 12,	" John H. Morse, abatement on horse,	1 25
19,	" J. W. Curry, use of watering trough,	2 00
May 22,	" Allen L. Howe, moving safe secretary and books,	7 50

June 11,	" N. B. Whitten, books and school supplies,	\$ 48 27
Oct. 17,	" J. L. Wilson, insuring town house,	12 00
Dec. 28,	" Ben Sargent, labor on town house lot,	75
Dec. 30,	" Leroy M. Beaty, land damage,	20 00
1896.		
Jan. 29,	" J. L. Wilson, insuring road machine and house,	3 00
	" Surveyor for running town line,	3 50
Feb. 11,	" E. J. Sleeper, use of watering trough,	2 00
	" Winnie L. Willoughby, services on school board,	23 00
	" N. B. Shaw, use of water trough,	3 00
Mar. 15,	" A. B. Willoughby, labor on town house, services as selectman, '94,	6 50
12,	" C. E. Butterfield & Co., printing town reports,	27 00
	" A. W. Smith, use water trough, '94,	1 00
1896.		
Jan. 30,	" N. B. Whitten, school books and supplies,	29 87
Feb. 5,	" C. M. Sargent, part payment overseer of poor,	25 00
10,	" C. W. Palmer, services as constable,	13 50
	" Nathan A. Smith, use water trough, '94 and '95,	2 00
	" J. B. Huckins, services as moderator,	3 00
12,	" C. M. Sargent, part payment overseer of poor,	21 20
11,	" M. M. Sargent, wood and board of town officers,	9 00
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		\$294 94

Feb. 12,	Paid Horace Huntress, use water trough three years,	\$ 6 00
	" G. B. M. Wallace, printed check list,	2 00
	" " " " services supervisor,	6 00
	" A. B. Willoughby, car fare to Concord to pay State tax,	2 76
	" A. B. Willoughby, searching records,	1 00
	" " " " collector's book,	1 00
	" " " " cash expenses and horse hire,	15 00
	" O. P. Craig, use of water trough,	2 00
	" W. B. Worthen, cash expenses,	5 30
	" G. M. Sargent, taking enumeration of children,	11 25
	" G. M. Sargent, services as police and looking after dogs,	12 00
	" G. M. Sargent, collecting taxes,	65 00
	" R. P. Curry, town clerk and treasurer,	50 00
	" " " " district clerk, treasurer and member school board,	25 00
	" R. P. Curry, notifying selectmen and jury,	5 00
	" R. P. Curry, one record book of births, marriages and deaths,	6 00
	" R. P. Curry, 100 dog license blanks,	1 00
	" " " " blank receipt book for treasurer,	1 05
	" W. B. Worthen, 36 2-3 days work	55 00
	" A. B. Willoughby, selectman, '95,	65 00
	" L. W. Mooney, cash expenses and horse hire,	5 0
13,	" L. W. Mooney, services selectman '95 and '96,	45 00
	" R. P. Curry, paying return vital statistics,	8 40
14,	" M. M. Sargent, auditor,	2 00
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		\$398 36

BUILDING ROAD MACHINE HOUSE.

1896.

Jan. 31,	Paid N. B. Whitten, nails,	\$ 7 75
	“ “ “ “ 15 lbs. spikes,	68
	“ “ “ “ door fastenings,	55
	“ “ “ “ hinges,	28
	“ “ “ “ 25 lbs. W. lead,	1 63
	“ “ “ “ 1 1-2 gal. linseed oil,	90
	“ “ “ “ two paint brushes,	50
Feb. 12,	“ Allen Willoughby, 12 1-2 days' work, 226 ft. finish bds. and one bunch clapboards,	29 77

1895.

Oct. 11,	“ H. H. Shepard, lumber,	58 34
Jan. 11,	“ Kusumpe Lumber Co., finish,	1 96
17,	“ Allen L. Howe, drawing lumber and stone,	13 67
Feb. 11,	“ L. W. Mooney, 13 1-2 days' labor,	27 00
	“ M. M. Sargent, drawing lumber and grading,	5 25
12,	“ George B. M. Wallace, labor,	1 75
		<hr/> \$150 03
13,	“ George H. Corliss, lumber,	37 82
		<hr/> \$187 85

ROAD MACHINE.

May 16,	Paid for road machine,	\$250 00
	“ freight on road machine,	11 27
	“ expense setting up and hauling machine from depot,	3 00
		<hr/> \$264 27

SCHOOL BOARD.

1895.

Amount raised by town,	\$602 00
Literary fund,	95 76
Dog license,	116 40
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	\$814 16
Paid school board,	\$814 16

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

1895.

May 10,	Paid Chas. M. Sargent, pauper bills,	\$72 67
Oct. 4,	" " " " " "	36 10
Nov. 3,	" " " " " "	74 10
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		\$182 87

SHEEP DAMAGE.

1895.

Feb. 11,	Paid Wm. M. Wallace, one sheep killed,	\$ 3 50
	" William Felch, two sheep killed,	5 00
Jan. 17,	" Warren B. Worthen, three sheep and one lamb killed,	12 00
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		\$20 50

REPAIRING ELM SCHOOL HOUSE.

Paid R. P. Curry, agent,	\$90 00
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HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

1895.

Amount raised by town,	\$1,799 93
Unexpended highway tax of 1894,	931 69
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	\$2,731 62

Mar. 15,	Paid road agent, breaking roads for	
	1894 and spring of 1895,	\$ 350 00
Apr. 15,	" road agent,	300 00
June 17,	" " "	500 00
Oct. 19,	" " "	200 00
1896.		
Jan. 20,	" " "	450 00
Feb. 11,	" " "	100 00
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		\$1,900 00
	Unexpended highway tax,	\$831 62

HAWK BOUNTY.

Paid selectmen, bounty on four hawks,	\$1 00
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LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

1896.	
Feb. 11,	Paid library trustees for support of
	town library,
	\$106 33

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Cash in treasury,	\$178 65
Uncollected tax, '87,	21 07
" " '88,	55 35
" " '94,	11 15
Amount due from county,	132 55
Uncollected tax, '95,	1,637 00
Town safe,	100 00
Road machine,	200 00
" " house,	150 00
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Total assets Feb. 15, 1896,	\$2,485 77
" " " 15, 1895,	2,383 89
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Showing a gain of	\$101 88

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR.

Charles M. Sargent, in Account with Town, Year ending
February 12, 1896.

Cash received of town treasurer,	\$182 87
" " county,	239 36
	\$422 23

COUNTY CHARGES.

1895.

May	7,	Paid T. B. Sanborn, supplies for Bertha Marden,	\$ 1 87
	10.	" T. B. Sanborn, supplies for John Brown,	3 05
	13,	" J. M. Chenev, medical aid to Alice Marsh,	26 50
		" J. M. Cheney, medical aid to Mrs. George Marden,	7 50
		" J. M. Cheney, medical aid to J. W. Tucker's wife,	13 25
	15.	" Mrs. E. B. Lowd, board and clothing for Bertha Marden,	20 50
June	4,	" town treasurer, county money,	44 80
July	16,	" C. M. Sargent, shoes, Bertha Marden,	1 35
Oct.	9,	" Mrs. E. B. Lowd, board and clothing, Bertha Marden,	34 50

1896.

Feb.	10,	" T. B. Sanborn, shoes, rubbers and stockings, Bertha Marden,	2 30
		" Lewis Toutant, board and care Damas Ledouc,	24 00

Feb. 10,	Paid J. M. Cheney, medical aid to	
	George B. Carr,	\$ 14 00
	“ Mrs. E. B. Lowd, board and	
	clothing for Bertha Marden,	24 00
Jan. 20,	“ Chas. M. Sargent, keeping tramps,	1 00
1895.		
Nov. 18,	“ town treasurer, county money,	194 56
1896.		
Feb. 12,	“ T. B. Sanborn, rubbers and stockings,	95
	“ town, cash to balance,	8 10
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		\$422 23
Due from county,		132 55

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES M. SARGENT, *Overseer.*

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

George M. Sargent, in Account with Town for the Year 1895.

By paid state, county, town, school and	
highway tax,	\$4,295 82
By paid town treasurer,	2,650 06
“ “ abatements,	8 81
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	\$2,658 87
Amount uncollected Feb. 15, 1896,	1,637 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. SARGENT, *Collector.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Nathan B. Whitten, Ex-Treasurer, in Account with Town
for the Year, 1895.

1895.		
Feb.	To balance due on settlement,	\$1,040 56
12,	“ received of E. J. Sleeper,	
	collected 1895.	468 88
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		\$1,509 44
By paid	E. J. Sleeper,	\$ 239 08
“ “	N. B. Shaw,	3 00
“ “	R. P. Curry, treasurer,	1,267 36
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		\$1,509 44

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN B. WHITTEN.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above account of Nathan B. Whitten and find it correct and well vouched.

MARCUS M. SARGENT, *Auditor.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

R. P. Curry, in Account with Town for the Year 1895.

1895.

To rec'd of N. B. Whitten, treasurer '94,	\$1,267 36
“ “ E. J. Sleeper, collector '94,	786 14
“ “ Chas. M. Sargent, from county,	239 36
“ “ “ “ “ balance from	
paying pauper bills,	8 10
“ “ Lorin Webster, sale Union school house,	30 00
“ “ N. B. Whitten, cash for check,	30 00
“ “ Chas. H. Palmer, “ “ “	4 00
“ “ selectmen R. R. tax,	4 44
“ “ “ literary fund,	95 76
“ “ “ Savings bank tax,	303 54
“ “ “ bounty on hawks,	1 00
“ “ “ sale of old road machine,	2 50
“ “ town clerk, dog licenses,	100 20
“ “ Geo. M. Sargent, collector '95,	2,650 03
	\$5,522 43

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By paid county tax,	\$554 40
“ “ state “	515 00
“ “ physician and clergymen, statistics,	8 40
“ “ N. B. Whitten, check for cash rec'd.,	30 00
“ “ Chas. H. Palmer, “ “ “ “	4 00
“ “ Check, H. H. Shepard, returned protested,	38 12
“ “ expense protesting H. H. Shepard's check,	1 55
“ “ check, favor E. L. York, returned not good,	3 27

By paid town orders,	4,189 04
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	\$5,343 78
Cash in treasury to balance;	178 65
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	\$5,522 43

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT P. CURRY, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

Robert P. Curry, Town Clerk, in Account with Town for
the Year 1895.

To rec'd for 49 dog licenses,	\$110 00
“ fees on same,	9 80
“ paid town treasurer,	100 20
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	\$110 00

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of Robert P. Curry, treasurer and town clerk, and found them correct and well vouched.

MARCUS M. SARGENT, *Auditor.*

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Library Trustees in Account with the Town.

Feb. 1895.

To balance on hand,	\$ 43
“ amount fines received,	2 87
“ received selectmen,	106 33
By paid freight and carting on books,	\$ 42
“ “ car fare to buy books,	20
“ “ De Wolfe, Fiske & Co., books,	29 69
“ “ Wheeler & Eastman, painting and lettering sign board,	4 50
“ “ Sadie J. Perkins, librarian,	40 00
“ “ five chimneys,	41
“ “ three gals. kerosene oil,	45
“ “ Clarence Perkins, sign board,	50
“ “ A. B. Willoughby, repairing library case,	80
“ “ one bottle ink for library,	05
“ “ one-half cord wood, fitted,	2 50
“ “ R. P. Curry, rent of building,	12 00
“ “ N. B. Whitten, trustee,	5 00
“ “ Perley E. Shaw, “ two years,	5 00
“ balance in hands of trustees,	4 81
	\$106 33

Respectfully submitted,

PERLEY E. SHAW, JOHN H. PERKINS, NATHAN B. WHITTEN.	}	Trustees.
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I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of Library Trustees and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

MARCUS M. SARGENT, *Auditor.*

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT.

1894-95.

Received of town treasurer,

\$1,900 00

BREAKING HIGHWAYS, ETC.

Mar. 15,	Paid Geo. R. Piper, breaking highways.	\$17 55
	“ Lewis E. Brown, “ “	9 15
	“ Allan L. Howe, “ “	5 10
	“ George A. Hunt, “ “	2 55
	“ W. E. Hawkins, “ “	57 60
	“ Chas. W. Piper, “ “	38 10
	“ Herbert Batchelder, “ “	2 03
	“ Frank N. Boynton, “ “	6 52
	“ Chas. S. Greenleaf, “ “	64 65
	“ Hiram B. “ “ “	49 86
	“ Horace Hill, “ “	13 23
16,	“ P. S. Burleigh, “ “	16 00
	“ Joseph Dustin, “ “	4 90
	“ Albert Cortie, “ “	22 00
Apr. 6,	“ Joseph Dustin, “ “	4 05
16,	“ H. B. Greenleaf, “ “	8 26
17,	“ Geo. B. Huckins, “ “	4 26
19,	“ F. N. Boynton, washout,	6 00
22,	“ D. H. Willoughby, breaking highway,	4 50
25,	“ G. B. M. Wallace, “ “	14 21
	“ George A. Hunt, washout,	8 34
26,	“ C. R. Cox, winter '94-'95,	14 53
	“ “ “ “ washout,	2 40
27,	“ Chas. S. Greenleaf, spring '95,	3 15
	“ “ “ “ washout,	10 65
28,	“ P. S. Burleigh, highway, snow and bridge,	5 60

Apr. 28,	Paid J. B. Huckins, to Mar. 6, '95,	\$ 1 05
	" " " " washout Balch dist.,	3 30
	" P. S. Burleigh, " " "	14 5
May 3,	" D. E. Wallace, breaking highway to March 5th,	6 88
	" D. E. Wallace, washout,	15 44
	" Allen L. Howe, "	29 80
11,	" Perley E. Shaw, " and plank,	5 25
28,	" Joseph Dustin, "	5 90
25,	" B. F. Jewell, breaking highway '94 and '95,	23 78
31,	" W. E. Hawkins, part payment on washout,	25 81
June 19,	" H. C. Smith, breaking highway and repairing washout,	9 12
July 22,	" H. B. Greenleaf, washout,	2 50
Aug. 14,	" H. H. Shepard, plank for Pem., bridge,	76 44
Sept. 2,	" Joseph Dustin, labor on highway winter '94-'95,	3 05
Oct. 21,	" N. B. Shaw, washout,	70
Dec. 28,	" E. B. Lowd, breaking highway '94 and '95,	13 75
	" Oliver P. Drew, labor winter '95,	4 20
	" J. W. Curry, " " "	80
Jan. 16,	" Horace Hill, washout,	1 05
	" George H. Merrill, washout,	1 35
23,	" Caleb M. Ames, winter and spring '95,	19 52
29,	" Willard C. Pulsifer, extra plank for Livermore bridge, planking same and care of road from Feb. 15, '95 to Feb. 15, '96,	20 93
31,	" Chas. W. Piper, washout,	6 68
	" M. C. " "	3 15

Jan. 31,	Paid Simeon Blake,	"	\$ 1 95
	" Jacob	" "	90
	" C. G. Burleigh, winter and spring,		18 45
	" Frank G. Cummings, washout,		3 00
	" " " " repairing bridge,		1 75
	" " " " plank for "		8 00
	" T. E. Hawkins, washout,		4 27
	" W. E. " "		17 09
Feb. 11,	" Samuel E. Marston, labor '94-'95,		26 62
	" Robert P. Curry, " " "		75
	" P. S. Burleigh, repairing bridges		
	plank for same and washout,		27 23
	" Moody C. Mudgett, labor and plank,		23 98
	" B. F. Jewell, washout,		5 25
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REPAIRING ROADS.

1895.

May 23,	Paid Ashley I. York, labor on highway,	\$ 7 50
24,	" George L. Piper, " "	9 00
25,	" A. I. York, " "	
	self and Drew,	6 00
	" F. N. Boynton, " "	3 00
29,	" Charles Baker, " "	7 13
	" Tilden Evans, " "	9 00
31,	" John S. Baker, " "	4 13
June 6,	" A. I. York, " "	6 00
7,	" F. N. Boynton, " "	15 00
24,	" A. I. Carr, " "	75
11,	" A. I. York, " "	6 00
19,	" " " " " "	4 50
	" Herbert Wilson, " "	1 00
	" R. D. Huckins, " "	7 50
	" H. C. Smith, " "	4 50

June 13,	Paid	Ai T. Carr,	labor on highway, \$	15 00
20,	"	M. M. Sargent,	" "	14 00
	"	Ben P.	" "	20 25
	"	Lewis E. Brown,	" "	6 83
	"	Harry H. Drew,	" "	18 80
	"	R. D. Huckins,	" "	1 50
	"	Harry D. Crawford,	" "	1 50
	"	Hiram B. Greenleaf,	" "	7 50
	"	George A. Hunt,	" "	12 00
21,	"	G. E. Danforth,	" "	12 00
22,	"	Allen Howe,	" "	12 00
24,	"	F. N. Boynton,	" "	15 00
25,	"	Chas. Baker,	" "	6 00
	"	Horace T. Greenleaf,	" "	27 00
26,	"	Ai T. Carr,	" "	7 50
28,	"	John W. Lee,	" "	9 00
29,	"	Harry L. Hillard,	" "	5 00
	"	A. I. York,	" "	7 13
July 2,	"	Perley E. Shaw,	" "	10 00
1,	"	A. I. York,	" "	1 50
14,	"	F. N. Boynton,	" "	5 00
	"	A. I. Carr,	" "	1 50
2,	"	F. N. Boynton,	" "	14 25
	"	Chas. S. Greenleaf,	" "	3 00
	"	Warren Ames,	" "	3 00
15,	"	H. P. Batchelder,	" "	15 00
27,	"	W. B. Davidson,	" "	3 00
22,	"	R. D. Huckins, rep'd mountain road,		2 25
Aug. 2,	"	Stanley & Averill, repairing road		
		machine and sharpening drills,		4 75
10,	"	Chas. T. Drew, labor on highway,		4 50
12,	"	Perley E. Shaw, " "		58 00
	"	H. P. Batchelder, " "		2 80
14,	"	H. H. Shepard, plank for bridges,		21 17
17,	"	D. B. Evans, labor on highway,		41 25
Sept. 2,	"	G. B. M. Wallace, " "		13 50

Sept. 2,	Paid W. B. Davidson, labor on highway,	\$ 2 15
	“ F. W. Elisson, “ “	1 50
5,	“ Geo. R. Tucker, “ “	6 75
28,	“ R. D. Huckins, building over culvert,	18 00
Oct. 21,	“ B. B. Shaw, labor on highway,	37 00
25,	“ Albert Taylor, “ “	2 25
31,	“ H. S. Buzzell, “ “	6 00
Nov. 11,	“ John Mason, shovel and spikes,	2 38
Dec. 21,	“ F. O. Marsh, labor on highway,	9 75
	“ J. O. Scruton, part payment,	10 00
	“ John Jewell, labor on highway,	9 00
28,	“ E. B. Lowd, “ “	19 30
	“ O. P. Drew, “ “	1 50
Jan. 16,	“ Horace Hill, “ “	6 00
	“ G. H. Merrill, “ “	3 00
20,	“ John M. Hunt, “ “	30 00
31,	“ Eben Howe, “ “	3 00
	“ Frank L. Piper, “ “	13 50
	“ S. D. Merrill, “ “	20 25
	“ W. H. Baker, “ “	3 00
	“ John S. Baker, “ “	2 40
	“ C. L. Dinsmore, “ “	12 00
	“ C. W. Piper, “ “	4 50
	“ M. C. “ “ “	4 50
	“ Jacob Blake, “ “	1 50
	“ Oliver Brown, “ “	1 50
	“ C. G. Burleigh, “ “	5 75
	“ N. B. Cox, “ “	3 00
	“ F. G. Cummings, “ “	75
	“ N. A. Smith, “ “	1 50
	“ T. E. Hawkins, “ “	5 25
	“ W. E. “ “ “	24 00
Feb. 11,	“ Richards & Farmer, repairing road machine,	4 50
	“ A. B. Willoughby, labor on highway,	43 75
	“ L. W. Mooney, “ “	1 75

Feb. 11,	Paid D. H. Willoughby, labor on high'y,	\$ 13 50
	“ J. B. Huckins, “ “	4 20
	“ E. J. Sleeper, “ “	32 00
12,	“ E. C. Bennett, “ “	15 00
13,	“ E. E. Willoughby, “ “	27 75
	“ Perley Ford, “ “	10 50
	“ B. F. Jewell, “ “	65 45
Jan. 31,	“ “ “ “ seeing to highways and paying bills,	3 75
	“ B. F. Jewell, axle grease,	50
	“ “ shovel,	50
	“ “ iron pins and spikes,	75
	“ “ repair'g machine & brace,	1 25
	“ “ expense on side bar,	80
	“ “ Mr. Hall for labor,	75
Feb. 15,	“ D. E. Wallace, labor on highway,	7 50
	“ board of Harry Drew to E. C. Bennett,	1 50
	“ A. B. Willoughby,	3 50
	“ John Hunt,	1 00
	“ Wm. M. Wallace,	20
	“ books and postage,	50
May 28,	“ T. B. Sanborn, one bock hoe,	95
	“ one hoe,	25
	“ one shovel,	50
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		\$1,007 07
Cash to balance,		63 80

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. JEWELL, *Road Agent.*

I certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Overseer of Poor, Collector of Taxes and Road Agent and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MARCUS M. SARGENT, *Auditor.*

REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD
OF THE
TOWN OF HOLDERNESS.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Fellow Citizens of the Town of Holderness:

As this is the last report I shall make to you as a member of the Board of Education, I trust you will not take it amiss if I express myself rather plainly upon the subject of our district schools.

There are, in my judgment, three essential requisites for the successful instruction of youth: *First*, a teacher who is well qualified by a thorough knowledge of the subjects to be taught, by experience in the art of teaching, and by native and trained aptness to teach; *Second*, pupils who are anxious to learn, who are willing to obey the teacher implicitly, and who attend strictly to business and not play during school hours; and *Third*, time enough to accomplish the work expected of both teacher and pupils.

Now for the reason that the people of Holderness do not raise money enough to provide suitable educational advantages for the children of the town, the first and third of these requisites cannot be secured. The Board of Education is furnished with only enough money to maintain our schools for eighteen or twenty weeks at an average cost of a trifle more than three dollars a week for the teacher's wages in each school. Under present conditions, let me ask any sensible person if we can reasonably expect to procure good teachers, such as are possessed of the qualifications I have mentioned, for that small stipend. Why, the fact is that the veriest tyro fresh from our Normal School, can command at least twice that amount for her first school.

In saying this, I am not, even by implication, disparaging the teachers who have been in charge of our schools during my official connection with them; for some of these teachers have done really admirable work when the conditions under which they worked are considered.

And again I ask—supposing we had the very best and ablest talent in our teachers' desks, can we expect our children to make much progress in eighteen weeks of schooling out of the whole year? It is simply preposterous and the height of folly to expect boys and girls to master even the rudiments of the commonest branches of study when they go to school eighteen weeks and stay at home thirty-four.

I assure you, my friends, that you can make no better investment for your children than by giving them the opportunity to get a good education.

And then, bad as it is to have the first and third requisites mentioned unfulfilled, I am sorry to say that the second one does not come fully up to the standard. In most of our districts it is true that the pupils have been eager to learn, and glad to follow the lead of their teachers, but in two of them, at least, this is by no means true of all the pupils.

In my judgment we have had no better qualified teacher during the past three years than Miss Currier, but some of her pupils did not respond to her demands for earnest work or co-operate with her in her efforts for their welfare, and so her labors were rendered nugatory in a measure; and the same thing can be said of the pupils in some of the Prescott School in relation to several of their teachers.

My friends, I have thus briefly diagnosed your case, and now I will prescribe the remedy:

Take—*Auri, aut argenti*, \$2,100 00

Dose. Apply to each school,

For teacher's wages, \$150 00

For teacher's board, \$90 00

If this medicine should prove too severe, reduce the dose somewhat until you are able to take the prescribed amount, and I will warrant it to cure the difficulty with our schools.

It remains for me to speak briefly of the individual schools.

THE ELM SCHOOL.

The first term was taught by Miss Hattie Smith, who made a failure of it.

The second term was taught by Mrs. Lucy M. Scruton, who was interested in her work and obtained as satisfactory results as could be expected.

ROLL OF HONOR.

FIRST TERM.—Willie Brailey, Perley Elliott, Eva Hill, Mary Smith.

SECOND TERM.—Mary Smith, Eliza Elliott, Perley Elliott.

BEEDE SCHOOL.

Miss Rose G. Worthen presided over this school both terms, and she exhibited much thoroughness and painstaking care at each of my visits.

ROLL OF HONOR,

FIRST TERM.—Mary Palmer, Lena Worthen, Bessie Greenleaf.

SECOND TERM.—Myra Worthen, Lena Worthen, Bessie Greenleaf, Charlie Carr.

THE CARR SCHOOL.

This school had the advantage of good instruction both terms, in the spring from Mrs. J. M. Hunt, and in the autumn by Mrs. Sadie E. Gray. These ladies both did excellent work.

ROLL OF HONOR.

FIRST TERM.—Herman H. Benton, Clarence M. Drew, Arah A. Huckins, Arthur Sargent, Annie M. Batchelder,

Ethel M. Benton, Bertha M. Marden, Nellie Sargent, Ger-
tie B. Sargent.

SECOND TERM.—Annie M. Batchelder, Ethel M. Ben-
ton, Herman H. Benton, Arah A. Huckins, Zaidee R.
Huckins.

THE SQUAM BRIDGE SCHOOL.

Miss Myrtie Ferrin, a recent graduate of the State
Normal School, taught this school the spring term, and Miss
Margaret Donovan, also a graduate of the Normal School,
and a teacher of experience, had charge of it in the autumn.
From my own personal observation I am not able to make
a satisfactory report of this school, for the reason that the
pupils always seem to be frightened half out of their wits
when I enter the room. But I understand that good results
were obtained by both teachers.

ROLL OF HONOR.

FIRST TERM.—Nicholas Evans, Shirley Sargent.

SECOND TERM.—Rodney Evans, Lavonia Evans, Leon
Howe.

THE PRESCOTT SCHOOL.

Miss Roxie J. Sanborn, a young lady who had had no
previous experience in teaching, but who passed a satisfactory
examination, was placed in charge of this school for the
spring term, and had it not been for a quarrelsome spirit
on the part of some of the pupils, I believe she would have
made a success of it; but as in the case of other teachers,
personal bickering and strife interrupted her work.

Miss Madge Pease, also without experience, succeeded
Miss Sanborn in the autumn, and proved equal to the emer-
gency. I have naught but words of praise for her, and pre-
dict that she will make a very successful teacher.

ROLL OF HONOR.

FIRST TERM.—Agnes M. Rogers.

THE TRUE SCHOOL.

Miss Fanny Worthen taught this school in the spring, and Miss Grace Applebee in the autumn. I was far from being satisfied with the work if either of these teachers.

ROLL OF HONOR.

FIRST TERM.—Amy Smith.

THE GREENLEAF SCHOOL.

Mrs. Rose Sargent had charge of this school, but as I did not visit it I am unable to report.

THE COXBORO SCHOOL.

It was the good fortune of the scholars in this district to be taught both terms by a thoroughly competent teacher, who is, moreover, deeply interested in the personal welfare of each of her pupils. I regard Mrs. Cox as one of the very best teachers we have had in our schools during my connection with them.

ROLL OF HONOR.

FIRST TERM.—Florence Cox, Abbie Cummings, Eva Jones, Harry Hilliard, Frank Smith, Leon Batchelder.

SECOND TERM.—Florence Cox.

EAST HOLDERNESS SCHOOL.

Without disparaging any other teacher, it is only just for me to say that the most satisfactory results of the year were obtained by Mrs. Winnie Willoughby and her pupils, working together like bees both terms. This is the only school in which I have found any downright enthusiasm on the part of the scholars; but it certainly was a pleasure, at each of my visits, to find one school in our town where the pupils were eager to learn and ready heartily to co-operate with their teacher in all her plans.

ROLL OF HONOR.

FIRST TERM.—Ethel Piper, Cara Berry, Flossie Baker, Gertie Baker, Preston Piper, Tollie Piper, Willie Baker, Bennie Piper.

SECOND TERM.—Susie Piper, Bennie Piper, Tollie Piper, Cara Berry, Ethel Piper, Annie Thompson, Gertie Baker, Flossie Baker, Willie Baker, Maurice Burbank.

I have only to express my thanks to my colleagues on the Board of Education for their unfailing courtesy and kindness.

Respectfully submitted,

LORIN WEBSTER, *Chairman.*

LORIN WEBSTER,	}	<i>Board of Education.</i>
WINNIE L. WILLOUGHBY,		
ROBERT CURRY,		

TREASURERS' REPORT.

**Callie C. Baker in Account with the Town from Feb. 15,
1895 to Apr. 15, 1895.**

To balance on hand,	\$36 82
1895.	
Mar. 16, Paid R. P. Curry for painting Carr School House,	\$18 12
Apr. 24, " Charles Dinsmore for lumber,	1 30
" M. P. Baker, material, and making cupboard for E. H'tdn'ss school,	4 49
	<hr/> \$23 91
Cash on hand to balance,	12 91
	<hr/> \$36 82

**Robert P. Curry in account with School District for Year
1895.**

Received of Callie C. Baker,	\$ 12 91
" " Town Treasurer, amt. required by law,	452 00
" by vote of town,	150 00
" for dog license,	116 40
" Literary fund,	95 76
	<hr/> \$827 07

1895.

May 16, Paid R. P. Curry, ten copies Memorial Exercises,	\$ 1 00
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May 24,	Paid Matthew P. Baker, repairing water closet and cleaning E. H'd'n'ss school house,	\$ 2 50
June 8,	" Ira M. Jones, moving East School water closet,	2 25
20,	" E. C. Bennett, boarding teacher eight weeks, spring term,	18 00
	" E. C. Bennett for one cord fitted wood,	4 00
	" Geo. B. Wallace, labor on school buildings,	2 00
22,	" Fannie L. Worthen, teaching True School, eight weeks, spring term,	24 00
	" Roxy J. Sanborn, teaching Prescott School, eight weeks, spring term,	24 00
	" D. H. Willoughby, boarding Prescott school teacher, eight weeks, spring term,	18 00
	" Myrtie C. Ferrin, teaching Squam Bridge School eight weeks, spring term,	40 00
	" Cora Piper, boarding teacher eight weeks, spring term,	18 00
	" Etta W. Cox, teaching Coxboro School eight weeks, spring term, including board,	42 00
	" Rosie G. Worthen, teaching Beede School eight weeks, spring term, including board,	42 00
	" A. Lillian Hunt, teaching Carr School eight weeks, spring term, including board,	44 00
	" Winnie L. Willoughby, teaching East Holderness School, eight weeks, spring term, including board,	42 00

June 22,	Paid Hattie F. Smith, teaching Elm School eight weeks, spring term,	\$ 24 00
	“ Mrs. Jonathan B. Huckins, boarding teacher eight weeks, spring term,	18 00
Oct. 25,	“ Sadie E. Gray, teaching Carr School eight weeks, fall term, including board,	42 00
	“ Winine L. Willoughby teaching East Holderness School eight weeks, fall term, including board,	42 00
31,	“ Lucy Scruton, teaching Elm School eight weeks, fall term, including board,	42 00
	“ Rosie G. Worthen, teaching Beede School eight weeks, fall term including board,	42 00
Nov. 1,	“ Margaret Donovan teaching Squam Bridge School eight weeks,	32 00
12,	“ E. C. Bennett, boarding teacher fall term and kindlings furnished,	18 40
20,	“ Rose M. Sargent, teaching Greenleaf School eight weeks, fall term, including board,	24 00
	“ Charles Greenleaf, 1-2 cord of wood, (fitted) and cleaning school-house,	3 00
22,	“ Madge Pease, teaching Prescott School eight weeks, fall term, including board,	42 00
Dec. 19,	“ Mrs. Allen Howe, boarding Squam Bridge teacher, eight weeks, fall term,	20 00
21,	“ Grace Applebee, teaching True School eight weeks, fall term,	24 00

1896.

Jan. 6,	Paid Etta W. Cox, teaching Coxboro	
	School eight weeks, fall term,	
	including board,	\$ 42 00
	" N. B. Cox for 1-4 cord of fitted	
	wood,	1 00
	" Ginn & Co. for supplies,	60
	" J. L. Hammett, "	80
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		\$741 52
	Cash in Treasury to balance,	85 52

**R. P. Curry In Account with the Town of Holderness as
Agent for Repairing Elm School House and
Building Shed.**

Received of town Treasurer, Amount of appropriation for the same, \$90 00

Paid Plummer Fox for lumber,	\$23 72
" Geo. H. Corliss for hardware and shingles,	35 84
" John L. Merrill for labor,	5 00
" Elmer Boynton "	2 85
" Noah P. Boynton, labor and material,	22 59
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	\$90 00

R. P. CURRY, *Agent.*

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT P. CURRY, *District Treasurer.*

I certify I have examined the accounts of Robert P. Curry, District Treasurer, and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

MARCUS M. SARGENT, *Auditor.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Name of School.	Term.	Name of Teacher.	No. of Pupils.	Av. Attendance.	No. of Weeks.	Reading.	Spelling.	Pennmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Physiology.	Book-keeping.	Algebra.	No. of Visitors.	Roll of Honor.	Wages per month, including board.
Elm	Spring	Hattie Smith	14 14	7 14 15	14 15	14 15	14 15	14 15	12 6	3 1				1			11 6	\$21	
"	Fall	Lucy Scruton	15 13	7 14 15	15 12	6 4											14 5	21	
Beede	Spring	Rose Worthen	9 8	7 9 9	7 7	6 5								1			1 17	3	21
"	Fall	Rose Worthen	11 10	7 11 11	9 9	6 5											2 20	5	21
Carr	Spring	Mrs. Hunt	15 10	7 15 15	12 11	3 4							12				9	21	
"	Fall	Mrs. Sadie Gray	14 14	7 14 14	14 11	11 6											5	21	
Greenleaf	Fall	Mrs. Rose Sargent	4 3	7 4 1	4 1												8 0	12	
Asquam Bridge	Spring	Myrtle Ferrin	24 21	7 23 23	24 24	22 6 4								4 3			16 2	29	
"	Fall	Margaret Donovan	21 18	7 21 21	21 19	9 6											12 3	26	
Prescott	Spring	Roxie Sanborn	9 9	7 9 9	9 8	4 4								2 2			12 1	21	
"	Fall	Madge Pease	13 10	7 13 13	12 12	10 5 5									4		11 0	21	
True	Spring	Fannie Worthen	9 9	7 9 7	5 5	6 5											1 11	1	21
"	Fall	Grace Applebee	14 14	7 13 10	6 6	4 2											1 18	0	21
East Holderness	Spring	Mrs. Winnie Willoughby	10 10	7 10 10	9 8	6 6											7 8	21	
"	Fall	Mrs. Winnie Willoughby	13 12	7 13 13	11 11	5 6											9 10	21	
Coxboro	Spring	Mrs. Ella Cox	12 10	7 12 12	12 11	8 3 1								7 1			6	21	
"	Fall	Mrs. Ella Cox	10 9	7 10 10	10 9	5 3 1								7 2			1	21	

Births Registered in the Town of Holderness, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1895.

Date of Birth	Name of Child (If any)	Sex and condition				Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color of Parents	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Male or Female	Living or Stillborn	No. child 1st, 2d, &c.	Color							
Apr 16	Claud Austin Stanley	F	Living	3d	Wh	Henry A Crawford	Emma C McDonald	Wh	Holderness	Farmer	Thornton	Halfax N S
Aug 22		M	"	1st	"	Austin O Stanley	Blanche Jones	"	"	Blacksmith	Barton Vt	Holderness
Sept 26		F	"	10	"	Samuel B Berry	Louisa A Denney	"	"	Farmer	Holderness	Newport Vt
Sept 27		M	"	13	"	Joseph Dustin	Mary Plant	"	"	Teamster	Norage Me	St Joseph P Q
Nov 8		M	"	6th	"	John S Baker	Clara Gilman	"	"	Farmer	Holderness	Lakeport
Dec 28		F	"	5th	"	Alfred Stanley	Mary Boardman	"	"	Pulp Man if r	Barnet Vt	Pawnal Me

Deaths Registered in the Town of Holderness, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1895.

Date—1894	Name and surname of deceased	Age		Place of Birth	Sex and Conditions		Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother		
		Years	Months		Days	Male or Female		Color	Single, married or widowed			Father	Mother
Feb 12	Julia Jane Curtis	76	5	Vermont		Wh	Nurse			John Mucklin	Betsy Mucklin		
Mar 5	Thomas Burleigh Rogers	72	3	Holderness		"	"			Joshua Rogers	Matilda Burleigh		
Apr 1	Sophronia Piper	73	3	"		"	Farmer			Benjamin Piper	Eliz'th Limebournier		
May 20	Lydia Q Jewell	80	1	"		"	Housekeeper			Thomas B Rogers	Lucetta Willoughby		
June 4	Annie S Curry	46	11	"		"	"						
Dec 2	Emily P Morse	71	3	"		"	"						

Marriages Registered in the Town of Holderness, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1895.

Date—1895	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age in yrs	Col. of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. of times Married	Name, residence and official station of person by whom married.
Jan 8	New Hampton	John M Hunt Abbie L Caverly	Holderness "	20 22	Wh "	Farmer School teacher	Thornton Meredith	Geo W Hunt Kate B Huntress Daniel H Caverly	Woodstock Holderness Sanbornton	Farmer Housekeeper Farmer		Rev Daniel M Dearborn, New Hampton
Feb 20	Holderness	George M Heath Annie Wade	" Sandwich	19 15	" "	Farmer Housekeeper	Sandwich "	Mary L Shaw Benjamin H Heath Lydia E Moulton Lyman Wade	Meredith Sandwich	Farmer Housekeeper Farmer		N B Whitten, J P, Holderness
	Center Harbor	Harry H Smith Minnie E Clark	Holderness Meredith	23 23	" "	Farmer Housekeeper	Meredith "	Martha Blackey Chas W Smith Mary Smith Chas E Clark	Center Harbor Warren Meredith "	Housekeeper Farmer Housekeeper Stone Mason		Rev Frk Mudgett, Center Harbor
Jun 23	Campton Village	Adan L Sargent Rose M Greenleaf	Holderness "	26 18	" "	Farmer Housekeeper	Franklin Holderness	Hattie F Clark Joseph Sargent Lucy A Mudgett Chas S Greenleaf	Rumney Holderness Rumney	Housekeeper Farmer Housekeeper		Rev H G Hubbard Campton Vt
July 15	Holderness	John H Evans Jr Elmira C. Cox	" "	38 37	" "	Painter Housekeeper	" "	John H Evans Susan Evans Russell Cox Melvina Cox	Holderness Dover Holderness Campton	Housekeeper Clergyman Housekeeper Farmer		Rev Robt Henry Ferguson, Ashland
Sep 22	Ashland	Charles H Roberts Emily A Lysaght	" Ireland	35 39	" "	Mail carrier Housekeeper	Tamworth Ireland	Charles C Roberts Hannah J Roberts John Connolly Elizabeth Hughes	Stratford Meredith Ireland "	Housekeeper Farmer Housekeeper Farmer		Orla A Brown, J P, Ashland
Nov 6	Meredith	Almont Blake Mary M Horn	Holderness Weirs	28 38	" "	Farmer Housekeeper	Barnstead Woodstock Vt	Geo W Blake Albert Martin Ann Martin	Woodstock Vt "	Housekeeper Farmer Housekeeper		Rev J Erskine, Meredith
Dec 18	Holderness	John H Perkins Eloise L Shaw	Holderness "	24 20	" "	Carpenter Housekeeper	Holderness N Hampton	Mary M Bemis Nahum B Shaw Louisa J Doe	Pethlehem Campton Lowell Mass	Carpenter Housekeeper Farmer Housekeeper		Rev J Erskine, Meredith

